

Media Press Release: City EOC

Due to the heavy rain and the resulting flash flooding these past two days, several roads cannot be safely crossed. The Police Department and Public Works reviews the status of rising water on a regular basis and makes determinations of which roads to open and close.

Last evening and through the night the City Emergency Operations Center was opened for a briefing on the current water rising event.

At river gauges are being monitored by the City Departments..... Here are the links:

<https://water.weather.gov/ahps2/hydrograph.php?wfo=mkx&gage=rspw3>

<https://water.weather.gov/ahps2/hydrograph.php?gage=rbgw3&wfo=mkx>

<https://water.weather.gov/ahps2/hydrograph.php?gage=lavw3&wfo=mkx>

Emergency Declaration: At 8:30 am this morning August 29, 2018, Mayor Dave Estes declared a local emergency and the "Emergency Declaration" has been signed and forwarded to Sauk County.

Water levels will continue to rise in Reedsburg and we are watching for cresting sometime today.

Shelter Operations: An emergency Shelter was established by the Red Cross. As of this morning there were 10 people at the shelter.

Roadway Safety First: During these high water events certain roadways can become dangerous, making it impassable to all traffic. The closure will remain in effect for today as we monitor changes in the River. Motorists are advised to seek alternate routes. The area has been marked with barricades and road closed signs. While portions of the closed area may appear passable and it may be tempting to move the barricades aside, the barricades are in place to ensure everyone's safety. Do not move or drive around barricades to jeopardize your safety or the safety of others.

Sand Bags: Volunteer Sand Bag operations have been setup at the R.A.C.A. Building off Viking Drive and at the Reedsburg High School. If Community members need help with sand bags or delivery of sand Bags call the City Emergency Operation Center. (Number Listed Below)

**To Report Damage call: Sauk County Emergency Operation Center: (608) 355-3200.
County of Sauk – Emergency Operation Center – To (608) 355-3200.
City of Reedsburg - Emergency Operations Center – Reedsburg WI. (608) 768-1264.**

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